

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Takashi KANO et al.

Serial No.: 10/720,836

Filed: November 24, 2003

AIDED DESIGN APPARATUS, AIDED  
DESIGN METHOD, AND  
Title: RECORDING MEDIUM FOR  
RECORDING PROGRAM FOR  
CARRYING OUT THE METHOD

**VIA EFS-WEB**

Group Art Unit: 2121

Examiner: STEVENS, THOMAS H

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**AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 16, 2007, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely. No fee is due. The Commissioner, however, is authorized to charge any unaccounted fee(s), such as for extension of time, excess claim fees, etc., required to maintain pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.